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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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FROM: Dave Gries

SUBJECT: ADCI Meeting with Reps Stokes and Hyde

The meeting occurred at HPSCI on 18 February. Tom Latimer, Tom Smeeton and I also attended.

The ADCI noted the following:

- Confirmation hearings focused on the prior notification issue. Notification should not be withheld for more than a few days, even in a case of life or death, but the President still has the authority to deny prior notification. In such instances, the DCI would likely advise against non-notification, but if overruled, had the option either of going along or resigning.
- There is a substantial problem with the FY 89 budget which is underfunded as approved by OMB. Talks are
- One consequence of this squeeze is that there are no new initiatives in the FY-88 or FY-89 budgets. The Community and the Congress ought to work together to remedy this situation.
- The Fernandez investigation is proceeding apace, and the Committee will be kept fully informed.

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Stokes asked about an apparent limited notification, probably restricted to Hamilton and Stump, of a covert operation [redacted] I agreed to find out which operation he was referring to and to bring to his attention this one as well as any other covert operations about which the Committee was not aware. However, he did appear to accept the notion of limited notification in some circumstances to the Chairman and Ranking Minority Member.

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The ADCI then met separately with Stokes and Hyde to brief them on a very sensitive collection operation.

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